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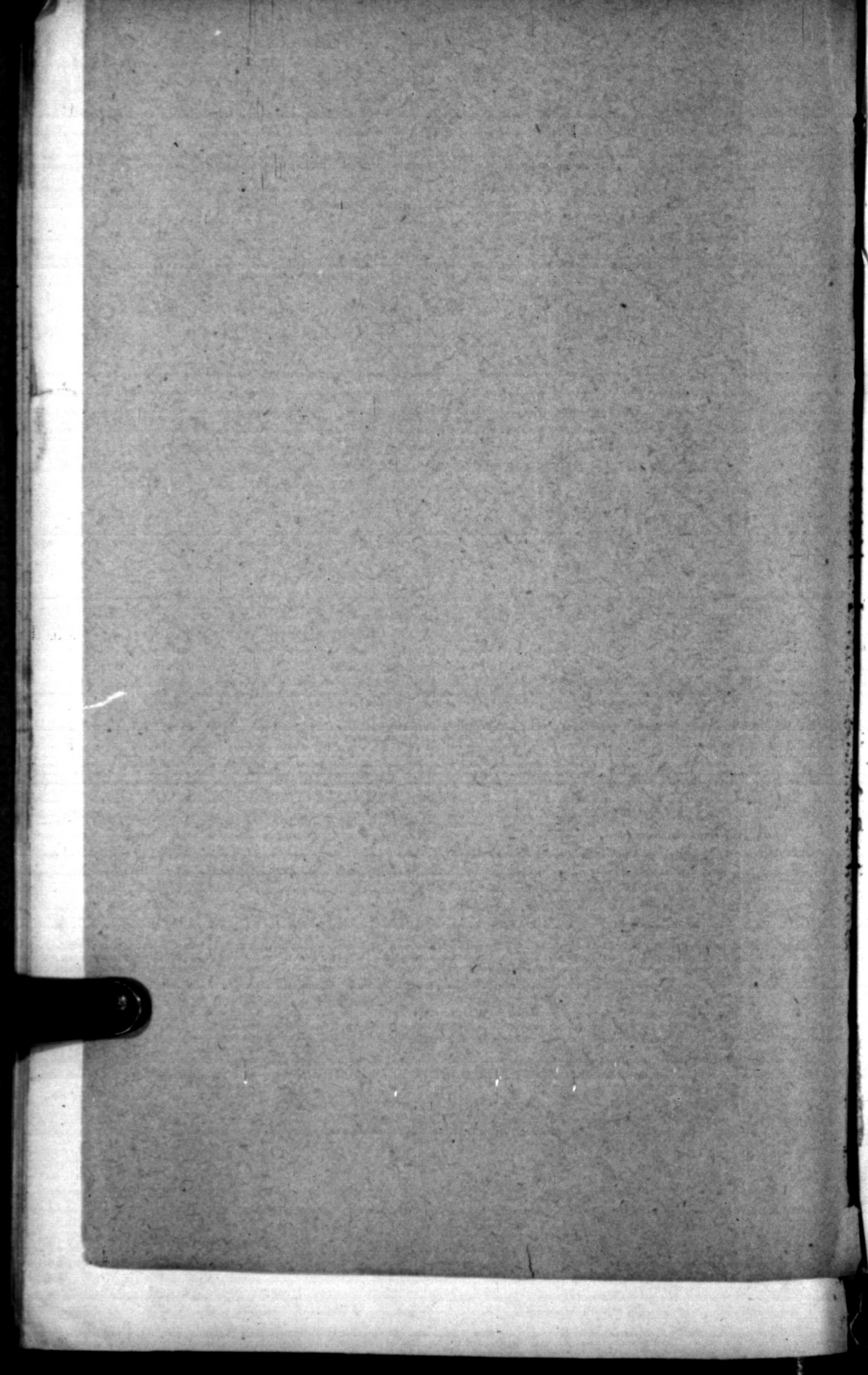
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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS.

<i>Name.</i>	<i>P. O.</i>	<i>State.</i>
Britt, D. N.....	Eupora, R. 4,	Miss.
Dorrah, Joel	Bellefontaine, R. 1,	Miss.
Dorrah, Ira	Slate Springs,	Miss.
Edison, J. J.	Bellefontaine,	Miss.
Golding, J. D.	Lodi,	Miss.
Hewlet, J. R. G.	Eupora,	Miss.
Hicks, J. W.	Clinton,	Miss.
Lott, L. V.	Stewart, R. 1,	Miss.
Mason, A. C.	Slate Springs,	Miss.
McPhail, J. T.	Slate Springs,	Miss.
McPhail, W. J.	Slate Springs,	Miss.
Pittman, Bryant	Stewart,	Miss.
Sheppeard, E. G.	Lodi,	Miss.
Williams, C. B.	Eupora,	Miss.
Wilson, T. H.	Bellefontaine,	Miss.

LICENTIATES.

Cassidy, H. M.	Sweatman, R. 1,	Miss.
Franklin, J. J.	Eupora,	Miss.
Lay, J. A.	Sabougla,	Miss.
McCain, George	Eupora,	Miss.
McPhail, B. F.	Slate Springs,	Miss.
Simmons, J. W.	Sabougla,	Miss.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Devotional exercises by the Moderator.
2. Introductory Sermon.
3. Reading of Letters.
4. Permanent Organization.
5. Call for Correspondents.
6. Appoint Return Correspondents.
7. Appointment of Committees.
8. Treasurer's Report.
9. Report on "Mutual Obligation of Pastor and Church"
10. Report on Missions
11. Report on Evangelism.
12. Report on Woman's Work.
13. Report on Orphans' Home.
14. Report on Sabbath Schools.
15. Report on Ministerial Education.
16. Report on Our Colleges.
17. Report on Layman's Missionary Movement.
18. Select place to hold next meeting.
19. Report on Temperance.
20. Report on Periodicals.
21. Report of Finance Committee.
22. Report on Nominations.
23. Appointment of Standing Committees.
24. Miscellaneous Business.
25. Calling the Roll.

STANDING COMMITTEES FOR 1913.

Missions—S. L. Cook, E. T. Gwin.

Evangelism—Eupora Church.

Ministerial Education—New Hope Church.

Our Colleges—Alonzo Skelton, Bunyan Dorrah.

Orphans' Home—A. C. Mason and wife.

Mutual Obligation of Pastor and Church—J. R. G. Hewlet

Periodicals—Bethany Church.

Sabbath Schools—Unity Church.

Layman's Missionary Movement—O. C. Leigh.

Temperance—Miss Mary Williams and Sister W. W.
Naron.

Women's Work—Sisters J. E. Taylor and John Marshall.

Ministerial Relief—Bryant Pittman.

PROCEEDINGS.....

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Zion Baptist Association met in its Seventy-Seventh Annual Session with the Eupora Baptist Church on Sept. the 11th, 1912, at 10 a. m.

Opening song, "I Love to Tell the Story." Devotional exercises were then conducted by the Moderator, Rev. T. H. Wilson, by reading John 14: 1-19, and Rev. A. V. Rowe offered prayer. Song, "How Firm a Foundation," and Rev. Bryan Simmons offered prayer.

The Moderator then declared the Association opened and ready for business.

On motion of J. R. G. Hewlet the Association proceeded to organize before the annual sermon.

On motion the following committee on credentials were appointed, to-wit: J. T. Burns, W. C. Lowe and Joel Dorrah.

The following churches were represented by letter and delegates, to-wit:

Bethany—A. C. Mason, J. T. Burns, W. P. Moreland.

Bethel—J. D. Denton, T. E. Doolittle.

Bluff Springs—Leonard Watson, W. H. Oswalt, Audrey Hood, J. W. Lewis.

Eupora—W. W. Naron, J. E. Taylor, O. C. Leigh, Sisters D. A. Harton, Lela Therrell, T. W. Foard.

Fellowship—J. W. Hicks, J. L. Black, J. W. Spencer, J. S. Winter, J. A. McCain, W. F. Jones; alternates, J. D. Spencer, H. F. Roberts, E. B. Pounds.

Greensboro—T. J. Sims, F. F. McGary, T. Johnson, M. Black.

Harmony—J. W. Salley, R. L. Middleton, J. W. Pyron.

Hebron—J. F. Lucins, F. M. Roberts, J. E. Love, E. F. Lucians and wife.

Milligan Springs—P. L. Landrum, Larkin Rodgers, C. M. Barrett.

Mt. Vernon—E. Strickland, A. J. Waits, M. B. Peeples, Lee Wood.

Mt. Zion—John Pittman, J. I. Burlison, W. I. Beard.

Mulberry—D. A. Pittman, W. L. Neal, D. R. Dotson.

New Hope—J. T. Gregg, Q. G. Vance, O. M. Wilson.

New Liberty—L. M. Stephens, L. C. Townsend, W. L. Fowler.

Philadelphia—V. I. Pittman, R. W. Morris, Bunyan Middleton.

Lucins and wife.

Carroll.

Pine Forest—J. H. Bailey, Sam Peeples, Sister Roveil Tharp.

Pleasant Hill—J. E. Phelps, B. F. McPhail, Sister Mirtie Fox.

Pleasant Grove—C. L. Trussell, W. I. Martin, E. L. James, Sister C. L. Trussell.

Sabougla—Sam C. Sugg, R. M. England, J. B. Black.

Sapa—W. C. Love, Henry Williams, C. B. Watson.

Shady Grove—J. H. Adams, G. T. Kilpatrick, C. W. McCain, W. T. Sparkman.

Shiloh—Spencer Pyron, J. W. Dunn, H. M. Cassidy, Sister Lula Mitchell.

Spring Hill—Eli Hardin, H. J. Burson, E. J. Brown.

Union—E. G. Sheppard, L. V. Lott, H. R. Reed, J. M. Clark.

Unity—C. S. Clark, G. W. Jordan, T. E. Clark, Sisters Rosa Jordan and Vera Ray.

Walthall—B. Y. King, E. T. Gwin.

The Moderator then called for correspondents, Rev. A. V. Rowe, secretary of "State Mission Board;" Bryan Simmons, from "Mississippi Baptist Hospital," and J. C.

Parker, representing the "Baptist Record," presented themselves and were welcomed to seats in this Association.

On motion the Association have a report on "Mississippi Baptist Hospital" and that the subject be assigned to Dupora church, carried.

On motion of J. R. G. Hewlet the verbage of report on Mississippi College be changed so as to include the Female College at Hattiesburg. The same was changed to read as follows: "Our Colleges."

On motion the Association proceed to business without waiting for report of credential committee.

Order of business taken up.

J. N. Carroll, treasurer, read his report which on motion was received and referred to Finance Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1911.

Sept. 23	Recd from Fin. Com for clerk and min.	\$ 47.20
Sept 23	To cash pr J. W. Spencer, clerk.....	\$ 47 20
Sept. 23	By cash New Liberty church, H. M....	2.00
Sept. 23	By cash Sapa church, H. M.	1.55
Sept. 23	By cash Union church, H. M.....	2.20
Sept. 23	By cash New Liberty church, F. M....	2.00
Sept. 23	By cash Philadelphia church, F. M.....	2.50
Sept. 23	By cash Pleasant Hill church, F. M.....	5.00
Sept. 23	By cash Sapa church, F. M.....	1.55
Sept. 23	By cash Shady Grove church, F. M.....	1.00
Sept.23	By cash Association, G. M.....	15.00
Sept. 23	By cash Pine Forest church, S. M....	1.00
Sept. 23	By cash Pleasant Grove church, S. M...	4.00
Sept. 23	By cash Union church, S. M.....	2.20
Sept. 23	By cash Philadelphia church, Min. Ref	1.00
Sept. 30	To A. V. Rowe	41.70
Sept. 23	By cash Mt. Zion church, Orph.....	2.50
Sept. 23	By cash New Liberty church, Orph...	2.00
Sept. 23	By cash Philadelphia church, Orph...	2.00
Sept. 23	By cash Pleasant Grove church, Orph	7.50
Sept. 23	To J. R. Carter	14.00
April 30	By cash Misterton S. S. H. M.....	6.00
April 30	To cash A. V. Rowe	6.00
April 18	By cash Fellowship church, H. & F.M.	110.00
April 20	To cash A. V. Rowe	110.00

April 29	By cash Bethany church, Missions....	21.75
April 29	By cash Bethany church, H. & F. M....	19.00
April 29	By Ladies' Aid Society, H. & F. M....	24.62
April 29	By Sunday School, H. & F. M.....	2.00
April 29	To cash A. V. Rowe	67.37

\$286.27 \$285.57

April 30	By cash Cardaretta S. S., F. M.....	10.00
April 30	To cash A. V. Rowe	10.00
June 1	By cash Milligan Springs church, M....	3.10
June 1	To cash A. V. Rowe, Missions	3.10
Aug 6	By cash B. Y. P. U. Fellowship ch. N. Mex.	3.05
Aug. 6	To cash A. V. Rowe	3.05

FOR DELEGATES SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

Sept. 22	By cash Pleasant Grove ch. D. S. B. C.	2.00
April 21	By cash New Hope church, D. S. B. C...	2.50
May 3	By cash Springhill church, D. S. B. C....	2.50
May 3	By cash Pilgrims Rest ch., D. S. B. C....	2.00
May 6	To check A. C. Mason	9.00

311.42 310.72

Sept. 6	By cash Bluff Springs ch., S. M.....	5.85
Sept. 6	By cash Bluff Springs ch. Orphanage....	1.50
Sept. 6	By cash Shady Grove ch., D. S. B. C....	2.00
Sept. 6	By cash Shady Grove S. S., S. & H. M...	2.00
Sept. 6	By cash Fellowship B. Y. P. U., S.&H.M.	1.45
Sept. 6	By cash Unity church, D. S. B. C.....	2.00
Sept. 6	By cash Sapa church, D. S. B. C.....	2.00

Sept. 6	To cash A. C. Mason	6.00	326.92
Sept. 6	To cash on hand	9.50	

326.92 326.92

Respectfully submitted J. N. CARROLL, Treas.

On motion the Association proceed to permanent organization.

Result as follows: Moderator, Rev. T. H. Wilson;
Clerk, J. W. Spencer; Treasurer, J. N. Carroll.

The Committee on Credentials made a partial report which was received and committee continued.

On motion 2:30 made special order for report on Missions.

On motion the Associational Sermon be preached at 7:30 tonight.

The following Committee on Finance was appointed, to-wit: Eli Hardin, B. Y. King and J. A. McCain.

The clerk read the report on Ministerial Relief, discussed by P. L. Landrum, A. V. Rowe, and report amended to as to read "To be sent to Bro. Rowe as collected," instead of "sending same to the Association annually;" further discussed by C. S. Clark, Joel Dorrah, and the following resolution was offered by the clerk, which was adopted: "Resolved that the churches of this Association be requested to make a Christmas offering for Ministerial Relief; further discussed by J. C. Parker and report was adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report: It is our belief, as well as the belief of all Christian people, that God calls His servants from among men for their entire life and he makes it obligatory on us that they suffer not for the necessities of this life. Witness His plain teaching in First Corinthians 9: 14, "They that preach the gospel shall live of the gospel;" again in Matthew 10: 9-10, "Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass for your purses, nor scrip for your journey neither two coats, nor shoes, nor yet staves for the workman is worthy of his meat."

In the face of these Divine commands can we as Christians, been aroused to their duty in this respect.

We find those among us who have worn their lives away in His service and it is woe unto us if we fail to support them for we are taught that "We are laborers together," and in sustaining His servants we are helping to spread the Gospel of Jesus to a sinful world.

May the Lord hasten the day when all Christians shall have been aroused to their duty in this respect.

We therefore recommend that this association make an annual offering to these worthy, though retired, servants of our Master and we further recommend that a committee consisting of one member from each church represented in this association, be appointed to secure funds for this purpose.

J. J. ROGERS,
P. L. LANDRUM,
L. S. ROGERS,
Committee.

On motion the Association then took a recess until 2 p. m. After announcements, dismissed with prayer by A. C. Mason.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at appointed time. Song, "Whiter Than Snow" and W. J. Carroll offered prayer.

The time for special order having arrived, the report on State Missions was read by J. E. Taylor; on Home Missions by T. W. Scott; on Foreign Missions by J. R. G. Hewlet.

Motion to receive and adopt discussed by A. V. Rowe, J. R. G. Hewlet, J. C. Parker and the reports on State and Foreign Missions was adopted, and on motion the further discussion of the report on Home Missions be deferred until tomorrow upon the arrival of Rev. W. A. McComb, vice president of Home Missions in Mississippi.

STATE MISSIONS

"The Son of Man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

Our Savior said to His disciples, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the utmost part of the earth." Our Savior also said to His disciples, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

From this as well as elsewhere in God's word we learn that all missions are one; are put upon an equal basis. Therefore no Christian has a right to favor one Mission and oppose another, for the field is the world, "Go make disciples of all nations." And to do this most effectively we must first establish the work in Jerusalem and in all Judea; and this to us means all Mississippi.

State missions is basic work. It lies at the foundation of all

missions, and unless we are strong and well supplied at home we can never hope to be strong abroad.

A Christian people who neglect their own weak fields are not fit to be trusted with a foreign mission. By our fruits at home we are judged abroad.

In giving to state missions we are helping all departments of our benevolent and missionary work. The hope of the heathen world under God depends upon well organized and well trained churches at home.

Churches now helped full time are	7
Churches now helped three-quarters time are	2
Churches now helped one-half time are	14
Churches now helped one-quarter time are	131
Total churches helped are	154
Churches once helped now independent full time	42
Churches once helped now independent one-half time	45
Churches once helped now independent one-quarter time	396
Aggregate once helped now independent	483
Total churches helped	637
Value of houses of worship	\$820,000 000
Value of Pastors' homes	\$106,000,000

Our helping hand has in addition inspired churches to raise and expend on their own fields close to three-quarters of a million dollars for houses of worship.

The amount thus raised last year was \$14,632.00. We have helped directly in building houses of worship to the amount of \$55,340.00.

Mississippi Baptist State Missionaries have baptised 18,722 persons. Mississippi State Missionaries have labored in meetings where have been baptised by others 26,982. Mississippi State Missionaries have thus been identified with the baptising of 45,604 persons. Mississippi Baptist State Missionaries have organized hundreds of Sunday schools. Mississippi State Missions maintain two Sunday school missionaries. Mississippi State Missions are pledged to help in the building of houses of worship in the state to the amount of \$6,000 this year. The census shows a population in the state of about 1,800,000. Of this number a conservative estimate will show 360,000 church members of all denominations, and God has given to the Baptist over one-half of this religious census. But think of the responsibility that rests on us with reference to the 1,200,000 unevangelized people of our state.

State Missions is foundation work, and he who helps State Missions helps every good cause dear to the heart "Him who

shall rule from sea to sea, and from river to the ends of the earth.

J.E. TAYLOR,
For Eupora Church.

HOME MISSION REPORT

In recent years there has been a great and gratifying advance among Southern Baptists in Home Mission conviction, giving and results.

In 1902 the receipts of our Home Board were \$88,874; in 1912 they were \$366,050, and the apportionment ordered by the Southern Baptist Convention for the present fiscal year ending May 1, 1913, is \$412,000. So great and pressing are the needs that the board appropriated the whole \$412,000, except \$97, at its meeting in July.

The results show a corresponding increase during the same period. In 1902 the Board employed 674 missionary workers, who reported 8,150 baptisms and total additions to the churches of 17,201. They reported 231 churches constituted and 674 Sunday schools organized. In 1912 the Board employed 1,309 missionary workers, who reported 26,899 baptisms and total additions to the churches of 47,728. Six hundred and eighty-three churches were constituted and 754 Sunday schools organized. Many of these workers were maintained wholly by the Home Board, though a still larger number worked in co-operation with other missionary organizations.

It is declared that the meeting of the Home Board last July was the most representative it has ever had. We learn that thirteen of the state vice presidents were present and participated in making up the budget for the year and planning the work. Evidently the vice presidents contributed much to the occasion and it was the enthusiastic conviction of those present that to supply the urgent demands for help that came up from all over the South the Board could not do less than it was empowered to do, and then put its faith in the brethren everywhere that they will come up to the help of this great cause and raise every dollar of the apportionment, remembering that the work is not the work of the Home Board but of Baptist brethren throughout the South.

The watchword of the Home board is Forward! and it has planned a distinctly aggressive campaign for the present year. Besides the regular work steps forward were taken in two ways:

The first was in conformity to the instructions of the Southern Baptist Convention that the Board at once should take steps to raise a \$1,000,000 Church Building Loan Fund. It was de-

aided to complete the raising of this fund within three years and to employ special workers for this purpose at the earliest possible moment. There are 3,000 or more houseless Baptist churches in our territory and in hundreds of these the establishment of strong centers for Christ and his truth only awaits some aid in erecting church houses.

The second large step taken was in response to repeated reports of the Board to the Southern Baptist Convention and repeated committee reports before that body calling for the Home Board to put forth larger efforts to help in training and enlisting backward churches. This note, first sounded in recent years by the lamented Dr. F. H. Kerfoot, has become stronger and stronger until now several of the State Boards have made requests of the Home Board for aid in this work. At its July meeting the Board ordered the establishment of a Department of Enlistment and Co-operation and provided for the election of a special representative to labor in this department.

We believe that in this movement there are prospective blessings for Southern Baptists and their usefulness that are almost beyond our conception. It looks to "teaching them to observe all things" as well as to saving the lost and baptizing the converted. It will provide for helping to train the churches more fully in all the ways of the Lord as well as enlisting them in larger giving.

Our Board is leading Southern Baptists in a worthy way in the great and fundamental work of saving the South. Your committee warmly commends it and its work to the prayers and enthusiastic and liberal support of the churches in our Association. We recommend:

1. That clubs of subscribers be raised in every church for the Home Field, the splendid monthly of the Board. Price 35c. single copies, or 25c in clubs of five or more.
2. That pastors and workers secure and read the Board's instructive new book, "The Home Mission Task." Price 50c in cloth, 10c extra for postage; 35c in paper, 7c extra for postage.
3. That large use be made of the varied and helpful tracts of the Board, which are mailed free on application.
4. That this Association provide for apportioning among its churches the amount we are asked to raise for Home Missions this year.
5. That all of our pastors be requested to preach upon this great cause at least once during the year. The Board will gladly furnish material for special study of pastors on request.

The address of the Home Mission Board is 1002 Third National Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga. Requests for the magazine, tracts, the

book, other printed matter, should be addressed to the Publicity Department.

Yours truly,
O. C. LEIGH, Chairman.

The following Committee on Devotion was appointed, to-wit: pastor and deacons of this church.

On motion 11 a. m. tomorrow be made special order for the report on Periodicals.

Report on Evangelism read by A. C. Mason, discussed by A. C. Mason, J. R. G. Hewlet, J. C. Parker, Bryan Simmons, T. H. Wilson and was adopted.

REPORT ON EVANGELISM.

"And He said unto them go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved, but he that believeth not shall be damned." "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you." Mark 16: 15-16. "And as ye go preach, saying the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand; heal the sick; whatever I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light; and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetop."

Christ thus teaches us by example the meaning of evangelism.

We notice that after his battle with satan He began to promulgate the precious gospel for which he had come into the world to establish. Matt. 4: 17. "From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand."

By the seashore he taught fishermen to become fishers of men. On the mountain he spake as never man spake—no sermon on the mount.

In meadow, field and plain he taught in his own immaculate way the plan of salvation. No opportunity was lost by him to bring the dead to life. His last command to his disciples was go where? "Into all the world." "For ye are to be witnesses unto me both at Jerusalem, in Judea, Samaria, and unto the utmost parts of the world." What must we do? Preach the gospel to whom? To every creature.

The Apostle Paul teaches us in a wonderful manner the meaning of evangelism. With what he called the glorious gospel of the blessed God. He charged the battlements of sin. The place,

the time mattered not with him; in the prison, on the sea, on Mar's Hill he stood and with this precious gospel he confronted the people. The jailer left the mighty shack. "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Heaven's roll call will only tell the story of the multitude which fell before the evangel Paul.

John on Patmos, gave us the meaning of evangelism, though cast out in ocean's wilds, ye God saved him to send out the message of life to the world. Till time shall be more, the influence of his preaching of the gospel will be felt to the saving of souls. For my brethren, evangelism is plain and simple, the promulgation of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GEO. RAYBURN

P. W. MORELAND,

D. S. PATTERSON,

Committee.

On motion the Association recessed to 7:30 p. m., dismissed with prayer by E. G. Sheppard.

EVENING SESSION.

Met at 7:30, joined in singing the "Glory Song. Joel Dorrah offered prayer. Song, "The King's Business." Rev. J. C. Parker read Matt. 21: 28-46 and offered prayer. Song, "So Precious To Me," after which Rev. T. H. Wilson preached the introductory sermon from Matt. 21: 41-42; theme: to honor and serve Christ, the Christian's bounden duty. Song, "The Bible."

Report on Mississippi Hospital read by J. R. G. Hewlet, discussed by J. R. G. Hewlet, and Bryan Simmons made an able and telling speech for the hospital. J. C. Parker also spoke on the report, after which subscriptions were taken for this object, and a cash collection amounting to \$8.00, and the report was adopted.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

The hospital is located on the corner of North State and Main streets, Jackson, Miss.

It is a frame building with ten rooms, including dining room, kitchen and operating room; being a gift to the denomination from some of the leading physicians of Jackson.

The Board of Trustees have expended about \$5,000.00 in improvement, equipment and an additional lot.

During the first year the hospital was self-sustaining notwithstanding the fact that one-tenth of its work was charity.

The statistics for the last nine months are as follows: Surgical cases 148, medical cases 62, pay patients 153, charity patients 17, money collected or due \$3,575.00, charity work \$380.

Three children from the Baptist Orphanage were cared for.

Our present building is entirely too small and upon the instruction of the convention we are launching a campaign to raise \$50,000.00 with which to erect and equip a suitable building for this much needed work.

About one-fourth of this amount has been raised by cash and subscriptions.

This hospital is a physical necessity, since there is by far too little hospital facilities in our state and especially in our Capital city. It is also a spiritual necessity, since we need it to care for our orphans, our preachers, and other members of our churches as well as those of other denominations and no denominations.

We, your committee, most prayerfully recommend that this association earnestly request our churches to pray for this work, observe the "Hospital Day" when asked or as near thereafter as may be most convenient and take an offering for the work of effecting the aforesaid building project.

Respectfully submitted,
J. R. G. HEWLET, Chairman.

On motion the Association adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow, dismissed with prayer by E. G. Sheppard.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9:15. A. C. Mason conducted devotional exercises. "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" was sung. J. R. G. Hewlet offered prayer.

Scripture reading Eph. 1: 1-13.

The following committee on nominations was appointed, to-wit: L. V. Lott, J. F. Lucias and V. I. Pittman.

The report on Woman's Work was read by the clerk, discussed by C. S. Clark, A. C. Mason, T. H. Wilson, Rev. J. R. Carter, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage at Jackson, Miss., being present was cordially greeted by the Moderator and spoke to the report; J. R. G. Hewlet, Joel Dorrah, J. C. Parker and D. A. Pittman also, and report was adopted.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

We, the committee of Unity Baptist church submit the following on "Woman's Work:"

Today we are accorded many privileges in working for the Master hitherto thought to be beyond woman's sphere. This is our day of opportunity which thirty years ago our beloved sisters, the heroic pioneer Mission Workers of our state would have hailed with grateful heart-throbs.

The sainted names of Mesdames Nelson, Hillman, Avon, Quinche, Sproles, Johnson and others, some of whom are now wearing crowns filled with many stars because of their noble self-sacrificing efforts in organizing and using us for the Master, will linger lovingly in our memories.

Are we not reaping bountifully of their seed-sowing, and may we not continue to sow bountifully for others to reap? May not progress be our watchword, ever realizing that "our sufficiency is of God," and apart from Him we can do nothing.

Let us inform ourselves of every field by subscribing and reading "The Foreign Mission Journal," "Our Home Field," "The Baptist Record," and "Our Mission Fields."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LIZZIE KING,
MRS. ROSA JORDAN,
MRS. DELLA CLARK
MRS. LEONE CLARK.

The committee on digest of church letters made the following report which was adopted:

REPORT ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS.

We, your committee on digest, beg leave to report the following:

Baptized, 126.
By Letter, 107.
Orphans' Home, \$99.50.
Foreign Missions, \$269.46.
State Missions, \$60.31.
Home Missions, \$196.45.

Report on Periodicals was read by the clerk, discussed by J. C. Parker, J. R. G. Hewlet, J. R. Carter, C. B. Williams, C. S. Clark, T. H. Wilson, and report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

Your committee submits the following:

"We are living in a great and awful time,
When to be living is sublime."

In a day of progress, a day of intelligence, and one who fails to to read, and thereby keep abreast of the times finds himself, or herself, far behind in these hustling, rushing, busy times in which we live.

We recommend first of all, a prayerful, careful, constant and diligent study of the Masterpiece of all literature God's book. That we may grow thereby and become strong men and women in faith and in service for our King.

Second—We recommend the reading of other good books and papers. The wise man said in his day that "to the making of books there was no end." It is so in our day; we regard it the bounden duty of every Christian father and mother to put into the hands of their children such reading matter as will be elevating, uplifting and refining, to mind and soul.

Third—We recommend especially to the churches of our association that they take and read the "Baptist Record," our state paper, which will keep them informed on state matters and then the "Foreign Mission Journal" for foreign religious news; "The Home Field" for news of the work at home; "The Orphanage Gem," that we may keep in touch with and know the needs of our orphans' home to the end that we may supply the same.

Let us show ourselves wise and useful servants of our King.

J. W. SPENCER,

J. L. BLOCK,

J. A. McCAIN,

Committee.

On motion the Association recessed until 2 p. m., dismissed with prayer by J. W. Hicks.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Met at 2:15. J. R. Carter offered prayer.

On motion an Executive Committee was elected by the Association composed of the moderator, clerk and treasurer, with five other brethren as follows, to-wit: J. R. G. Hewlet, A. C. Mason, Joel Dorrah, E. G. Sheppeard, D. R. Dodson.

Report on nominations read by V. L. Lott, report amended by inserting that the time to hold the Association be same as at present, Wednesday before the 3rd Lord's Day in September, 1913.

On motion to amend by substituting Milligan Springs for Hebron. Motion lost. Further amended by electing T. H. Wilson alternate to S. B. C. and report was adopted.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS.

Your committee submit the following report., to-wit:

Place to hold next meeting, Hebron church. Time, Wednesday before the third Lord's day in September, 1913.

To preach the introductory sermon, Rev. J. R. G. Hewlet; alternate, Rev. Joel Dorrah.

Delegate to the Southern Baptist convention J. R. G. Hewlet, alternate T. H. Wilson.

We request that the moderator appoint the delegates to the Baptist State convention.

L. V. LOTT,

J. F. LUCIAS,

V. I. PITTMAN,

Committee.

On motion the churches were requested to contribute the same as pledged last year for expenses of delegat to S. B. C.

Th following churches pledged the amounts named last year, the same to be paid not later than April 1, 1913.:

Bethany	\$2.50
Bethel	2.00
Bluff Springs	1.50
Eupora	2.00
Fellowship	2.50
Greensboro	2.00
Harmony	1.50
Hebron	1.50
Sabougia	2.00
Shady Grove	2.00
Spring Hill	2.50
Mulberry	2.00
New Hope	2.50
Philadelphia	2.00
Pilgrims Rest	2.00
Pine Forest	2.00
Pleasant Hill	1.50
Pleasant Grove	2.00
Sapa	2.00
Shiloh	2.50
Unity	1.50
Union	2.00
Walhall	1.00
Total	<u>\$47.00</u>

The following were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention, to-wit: J. R. G. Hewlet, Joel Dorrah and wife, T. H. Wilson, Sister J. E. Taylor, J. N. Carroll, A. C. Mason and wife, W. W. Naron and wife, C. B. Williams, J. W. Hicks, V. L. Lott, C. S. Clark, Sister Ida C. Hitt, J. W. Spencer and Zeke Sugg.

Report on Orphans' Home read by the clerk, discussed by J. R. Carter, and a cash collection amounting to \$11.36 was taken, and report was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

The question of the indigents has puzzled the builders of state ever since the human family separated itself into distinct communities, and has been a source of much apprehension to social economists, as members of irresponsible untutored and uncontrolled human beings are a menace to the peace morals and equilibrium of a commonwealth.

But man's extremity is God's opportunity and as to indigent orphans has through the agency of the church made provision for at least a part of those unfortunate, where under Christian influences prepared to fight the battles of life.

We as a denomination should regard it as a glorious opportunity for winning these young and tender charges to the ranks of Christian soldiers.

We recommend the institution to all those interested in the diffusion of the Baptist faith throughout the state as a means second to none save the pulpit itself—a place where the good traits of the inmates' parents are taught them, and the bad withheld, they thereby holding the memory of their forebearer's dear and sacred.

The institution has made wonderful growth but it is not yet what we hope for it to make; it thus will take a liberal support of the churches.

We should increase our efforts for an undertaking that has been so manifestly blessed of God.

In conclusion let us urge the brothers and all those interested to pray continued blessings of Almighty God on a work that is rescuing urchins from the streets and waifs from the highway, and teaching them moral excellence, mental application and physical development, as well as instilling in their minds the truths of Christianity.

B. F. STARNES.
For Bethel Church.

Orphanage work while new in Mississippi is as old as Christianity. One characteristic conspicuous in the life of our Lord was His disposition to care for the widow and orphan. The Holy Spirit gave it as one of the evidences of pure and undefiled religion, that its professor visit the fatherless and the widows in their afflictions. So the duty of caring for helpless orphan children need not be questioned. The only question that should concern Christian organizations is as to the methods of doing the work.

We have for our consideration at this time the home for orphan children located at Jackson, known as the Mississippi Baptist Orphanage. It was established fifteen years ago under the direction of the Baptist denomination of Mississippi. It is under the management of twenty-one trustees, eighteen appointed by the State Convention, and three by the General Association. They employ a local superintendent who has the general supervision of the local management. It is supported entirely by voluntary contributions from individuals, Sunday Schools and churches.

We have at present four brick buildings, so equipped as to furnish comfortable accommodations for 225 children. We have in our orphanage at present 227. With the expenditure of \$1,500 or \$2,000 we can provide room for 60 or 70 more. Our superintendent Rev. J. R. Carter, informs me that he has on file 50 or more applications, many of whom are worthy. About 550 have passed through the home since its establishment, many of whom have gone out into life for themselves and are making good in the callings of life.

Our children under the present management are trained to all manner of useful work. Special attention is given to all manner of cooking, housekeeping, sewing, washing, and ironing for our girls; and farming, stock raising, carpenter and machine work for our boys, together with training for some boys and girls in the printing office. All have the advantage of six to eight months schooling each year.

We commend most heartily the work that is being done for our orphan children, and urge that our Sunday Schools and churches contribute more liberally to their support. We recommend that all our Sunday Schools take one collection each month for the Orphanage, and that each church make a Thanksgiving offering at their meeting in November; remembering that Jesus said: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my children, ye did it unto me."

In addition to the money contributions the churches, Sunday Schools, ladies' societies may send clothing (good second-hand clothing accepted), towels, sheets, pillow cases, soap, thread buttons, tablets, pencils, elastic, shoe strings, shoes and stockings for larger children as we have plenty for the smaller ones. In fact anything that can be used in the every-day family. Let the farmers send corn, molasses, cured meats and canned goods of all kinds.

Rev. W. A. McComb being present was welcomed by the Moderator.

Report on Temperance read by the clerk, discussed by W. A. McComb, J. R. Carer, J. R. G. Hewlet, T. W. Scott, J. C. Parker, A. C. Mason, J. W. Spencer, and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The subject that I have been requested to write on today is one that I feel myself almost holy incompetent to undertake. It is a subject that calls for the most giant minds of the world to discuss, because it stands in the catalogue of evils as the greatest of all known to the human family. It consequently requires the strongest powers of the mental faculty to successfully combat.

In olden times temperance consisted simply in not getting drunk. Then it came to mean abstinence from all intoxicating drinks. Again its meaning has broadened until it includes the use of tobacco and all other hurtful indulgences.

I think a person can be intemperate in the use of enjoyment of anything, however good it might be in itself, so my definition is "excess in anything is intemperance." Many think themselves strict temperance if they do not drink, others may include smoking, others bad language, but how many include eating, which is one of the most common forms of intemperance. A great many people would be very angry if anyone should accuse them of being intoxicated, but think nothing of indigestion which is one of the results of intemperance.

We are also commanded to be temperate in our words. How many of us are there who have not wished at some time we had not let our tongues run away with our minds? Then we can look around us and see those who have wrecked themselves in an intemperate pursuit of pleasure finding out at last that happiness and pleasure are not synonymous terms and they have sacrificed their happiness only to drink the bitter dregs left after pleasure has departed. One of Christ's greatest warnings on earth is "leave strong drink alone."

Isaiah said "Woe to a man that drinks wine, for he does not regard the word of God."

People are blinded by strong drinks. It makes them unable to see what God has done for them. No passion unless it be the

passion of the gambler is stronger than the passion of drink. Every man who values the welfare of his country, must as a citizen be opposed to liquor. It is strange why people will drink whiskey knowing what it will cause in the end. We all know that a drunkard suffers untold agonies in death and also at times before. Whiskey will cause men to see unreal things, to murder and saddest of all it destroys their souls. God says in his language plain and simple that a drunkard cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. What is more pitiful than a home where there is a drunkard father or son? Whiskey will make a man dislike his own family. It will cause him to forget God and even curse God. There are so many ways of destroying the soul, but it does seem to me that it is a very weak person that will become so close to whiskey as to let it lead their souls to ruin. God says the best way to keep from it is never to begin, never even to look at it. God has bought us with a price and if we belong to him is it right that we should sell our souls in this way?

Go to the cemetery and call up the dead and ask, "How came you here?" How many would answer "I fill a drunkard's grave." Go and take a peep into the eternal hades and ask the inmates, "How came you in this place?" and how many would say "This is a drunkard's hell."

We should teach a moderate use of even the good things of life. Indeed I have known people who attended church service night after night until they became broke down, and were a burden to others. The Bible tells us to be temperate in all things, so I will close with these few words having tried to put before you my ideas of what the Bible and Nature teaches us about temperance.

MISS DOTTIE JAMES,
For Pleasant Grove Church.

On motion the Association took a recess until 7:30 tonight, dismissed with prayer by J. R. Carter.

EVENING SESSION.

Met at appointed time.

After song service and prayer the Woman's Missionary Union entertained the congregation with a reading on Missions, followed by a most splendid address by Miss of Jackson, Miss., on "Woman's Part

in extending the Kingdom of the Christ Among Men." Also Brother W. A. McCombs displayed some views on the "Mission Fields at Home."

Adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Met at 9:15. After song service prayer was offered by W. A. McCombs.

Delegates nearly all gone home.

On motion T. H. Wilson was elected vice president for Home Missions, and J. R. G. Hewlet vice president for Foreign Missions in this Association.

On motion the following committee on Lay Missionary Movement was appointed, to-wit: J. W. Spencer, O. C. Leigh and Noel Skelton.

On motion three members of the Executive Committee be regarded as a quorum, and J. R. G. Hewlet elected vice chairman of same.

J. R. G. Hewlet read the following report on Ministerial Education, which on motion was adopted.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The fact that God wants and expects the very best talent in the ministry is plainly shown in the conversion and call into the ministry of Paul, who was one of the most brilliant and leading men of his day. Paul was a man who, it seems, had gone to the utmost limit in the preparation of his life's work.

God's servants in the ministry today should follow the examples set by Him in the past. They should avail themselves of every opportunity to prepare for service in His kingdom.

The days when our dear old pioneer preachers worked so courageously and accomplished so much in the Master's cause, with a limited education, has passed. This South land is no longer a land of illiterate homeseekers only. The coming of the railway and machinery have given to it the city and the city has given it the low dives of sin, as well as the school and college. Can we afford to meet these conditions with any other than the best of talent?

The city also brings one of the greatest problems Christianity has to deal with. I gives to us, sin in every form. In the city, the problem of how to live together so as to bless and not curse must be solved by the ministers of the gospel and Christian people.

As time has wrought many changes and education is upon a higher plane than ever before and college audiences are found in almost every section of the country, surely it behooves every young minister of the gospel to prepare to keep abreast with the times. To this end let us encourage Ministerial Education.

J. R. G. HEWLET,

Report on Sabbath Schools read by J. R. G. Hewlet, discussed by C. S. Clark, and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Sunday School work has become an indispensable part of our church work. All of the members of all of our churches have not been enlisted in this work as yet, and will never be as to that, but we may hope that many more will fall into line as the light is turned on, and souls are more and more imbued with the love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In this day of transition periods and classification of things in general, it is somewhat difficult to define the broadest limits of the mission of the Sunday School and its relation to other church work; but we may be sure that such work, Scripturally done, is a powerful adjunct to the work of the ministry which stands before the world as the great spiritual "dynamo" of universal evangelization. The Sunday School is not the teaching department of the church, as some would have it, but a teaching department in which the ground is prepared for the deeper plowing of the preacher.

There ought to be a Sunday School in every church and in every community where there is no church. God has laid the children at our doors and we must see to it that these children hear of the saving power of Jesus.

One of the greatest, if not the greatest barriers to successful Sunday School work, is the absence of efficient teachers, teachers who can speak out of a clear mind and a full heart, a message from the great King. Just how to remove this barrier is a question for prayerful consideration. The How, may be easy enough, but just how to apply the how, so as to get the machine in motion, is the issue before us. The How is to get our teachers full of the Holy Spirit and Faith; but how are we

to get them thus charged? The only reply in sight is patient continuance and persistent efforts on the part of the pastor and sperintednent, aided by the few teachers who are always at their post.

Another great barrier is the cold indifference and neglect of so many parents. Some of them do not believe in Sunday Schools; others have no concern for such efforts. They will let their children go, but they will not go with them. What are we to do with such parents? Are they Christians? What kind and what evidence have they of the grace of God? What are we to do? Toil on in the fear and love of God.

A vision of the near future may serve to stimulate and encourage the faithful few who have stood by this department of our church work, going to the call of the bell through heat and cold. I see God's people awaking from slumber and they are trimming their lamps and girding themselves for the battle of the ages. See them! A solid phalanx of invincible men and women clothed in white, with crowns upon their heads and bearing aloft the banner of truth. Hear it? They are singing "Harvest Home;" the gate of the eternal city opens and they are going in and leaving their sheaves of garnered souls at the feet of Him who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for such is the Kingdom of God."

The Sunday school is an agent of power in our churches, under Christ, for the speedy evangelization of our lost souls. In it every member of the church has a golden opportunity to win souls for Christ. Will we do it? God help us.

C. S. CLARK.

Report on Our Colleges, read by J. R. G. Hewlet, discussed by J. R. G. Hewlet, W. A. McComb, J. C. Parker and T. H. Wilson, and adopted.

OUR COLLEGES.

The Baptist State Convention of Mississippi owns and manages two educational institutions, Mississippi College at Clinton and Our Woman's College at Hattiesburg.

Mississippi College was established in 1826, but did not come into the ownership and management of the Baptist church until 1850. Owing to the war, the horrors of reconstruction, fearful yellow fever scourges, which formerly harrassed Mississippi every

few years, and other hindering causes.

The college had fearful struggles during the first fifty years of our ownership, yet in all these years the college did a great work. Many of our most efficient preachers, as well as many of our leading laymen in all lines of service, received their education and inspiration at Mississippi College during the years of her struggles. Surely we ought to thank God for the great work which the college did during all those years and for the consecrated men whose devotion and work made the great influence of the college in the past. We ought to thank God that His providence brought about our ownership of the college, and His grace gave us patience to work and wait during all those years of struggle and discouragement.

During the last ten years the progress of the college has been wonderful. During these years \$75,000 has been added to the endowment, two splendid new buildings have been erected at a cost of \$75,000 and the new science building is now completed at a cost of \$40,000. The president and trustees are planning still larger improvements and advancements. There is no telling what these institutions will be twenty years from today. We expect them to be by that time two of the best equipped and best endowed institutions in the whole south. God be thanked that the daylight has dawned, and that our people are now standing by our institutions as never before.

At the session in Gulfport last year the convention decided to establish at Hattiesburg a college for the higher education of young ladies. The four Baptist churches of Hattiesburg presented to the denomination the grounds and buildings of the Mississippi Woman's College. This property is located in the southwestern part of Hattiesburg on an elevation overlooking the city. There are two large two-story buildings in the colonial style, capable of accommodating over two hundred young ladies. The dormitory is thoroughly screened, has electric lights, steam heat, hot and cold baths and splendid sanitary arrangements. The rooms are much larger than those ordinarily found in female colleges, but each one is intended for but two girls. Each room is an outside room, has two large windows and is tastefully furnished. The parlors, reception halls, dining rooms, rest rooms, libraries and recitation rooms are pleasant, comfortable and provided with the best of furnishings. The ample supply of water comes from an 800-foot well. The campus consists of forty acres of level lawn interspersed with shade trees and flowers. The denomination has secured as president, Prof. J. L. Johnson, Jr., so long and favorably known to the Baptists of Mississippi as chairman of the Layman's executive committee and professor in Missis-

issippi College. He gave up his work there with extreme reluctance but listening to the call of duty has thrown his whole heart in the new work. His wife, known to so many college girls as Miss Sue Belle, is one of the most accomplished and consecrated women in the south. He has gathered around him a splendid faculty of trained Christian teachers and we believe that no better advantages can be found anywhere. A most pleasing feature of the course in the Sunday School Normal Course of the Southern Baptist convention which every student will take. If she remains a single term she will receive a Diploma and go out as a "King's Teacher." If she stays four years she will receive a Blue Seal diploma certifying that the whole eight books of the course have been completed. There are only twenty-seven of these Blue Seal diplomas in Mississippi.

The Mississippi Woman's College is in a most healthful location and very easy of access, Hattiesburg being the junction of four railroads. There has long been a demand that the Baptists own and operate a college for women as well as for men. We now own this school and it is our duty as well as our privilege to support it. We recommend that pastors and laymen of this Association give to President Johnson and the Mississippi Woman's College their most loyal support by sending their daughters and aiding in encouraging in every possible way.

Respectfully submitted
J. R. G. HEWLET.

On motion the report on Pastor's Support and Systematic Beneficence be supplanted by, 1st, "Mutual Obligation of Pastor and Church," and 2nd, "Layman's Missionary Movement." Carried.

Report on Mutual Obligation of Pastor and Church read by J. G. R. Hewlet, which was adopted.

MUTUAL OBLIGATION OF PASTOR AND CHURCH.

The church is a body of baptized believers, organized under the directing power of the Holy Spirit to carry out God's will as revealed in His word and to fulfill the great commission of our Lord and Savior, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

To preserve this organization and to enable it to carry out the object for which it exists, it becomes necessary that each

church have a leader, specially selected and called by God and set apart to preside over its deliberations, commonly termed a pastor. His chief duty is to preach God's revealed word to the church and to proclaim it to those who are out of Christ and living in sin.

The relationship of pastor and church is sacred because it is sanctioned by God. It has for its object the enlargement of God's kingdom. The church looks to the pastor as its guide in spiritual things; it looks to him to direct the affairs of that body; to teach the scriptures in all their purity; to see that evil influences and customs do not prevade the church organization; that he devotes his time and energies to the study of God's word; that he walk circumspectly before all the world; visit the sick, sympathize with the distressed and that he take for his ideal the Christ life.

But in order to enable the pastor to meet these obligations, the duty rests upon the church to give him its loyal and undivided support, stand by him as a unit, be slow to criticise him in his work, uphold his hands as he prays and works for God and the church and against the forces of evil and sin, by giving him unalloyed sympathy, by praying for and with him; and also by the giving liberally of the members of the church of their substance and time for his maintenance, so much so, that he may give much of his time to prayer and supplication. Let the church lay itself out as a living sacrifice with the pastor in the advancement and glory of God's kingdom on earth.

J. R. G. HEWLET.

Report on Layman's Missionary Movement, read by J. R. G. Hewlet, which was adopted:

LAYMANS' MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

Your committee on Laymans' Missionary Movement would report as follows:

The movement is now about six years old and has for its object the enlistment of Christians, through their praying and going and giving, in the great work of saving the world.

The Southern Baptist Convention in 1907, enthusiastically endorsed this movement, and so far as southern Baptists are concerned, the movement is co-operative rather than competitive using the agencies already established and supplementing the work of the pastor in the church.

Your committee would recommend that either an associa-

tional committee be appointed according to the plan of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, or that the Association request the delegates present to present the matter to the churches and have committees appointed to push the movement in the churches as the plan of the Executive Committee suggests or that both associational and church committees be appointed as the judgment of your honorable body may think best.

J. R. G. HEWLET.

Report of Finance Committee read by the clerk, which on motion was adopted:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee submits the following report, to-wit:

We have examined the treasurer's report and find same correct.

We have also received from the delegates the following amounts for the objects named and turned over same to the treasurer:

For Home Missions	\$ 12.15
For Foreign Missions	13.35
For State Missions	27.55
For Orphants' Home	17.01
For Delegate to S. B. C.	2.50
For Minutes and Clerk	45.10
Total	<hr/> \$117.66

B. Y. KING,
J. A. MCCAIN,
ELI HARDIN,

Committee.

The Clerk was allowed \$15.00 for his services and requested to ask the churches to supplement the minute fund if it is not sufficient to have 500 copies of minutes printed.

Note—Brethren send a little more minute fund and I can get you better and quicker work.—Clerk.

J. N. Carroll offered the following resolution of thanks which was unanimously adopted:

PREAMBLE.

Constitution of Woman's Missionary Union of Zion Baptist Ch

We, the women of the Baptist churches of Zion Baptist Association, desirous of stimulating a missionary spirit, and the grace of giving, and promoting a spirit of co-operative measures among women of the churches, and aiding in collecting funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed as the churches shall approve, we organize ourselves into a body of workers and adopt the following:

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1.—NAME.

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Union Auxiliary to Zion Baptist Association.

ARTICLE II.—THE OBJECT.

Section 1:—The object of this organization shall be, by prayer, contributions, and the spread of information, to forward the general interest of the work fostered by the Baptist State Convention, through the Woman's Central Committee, and thus aiding the Home, Foreign and Sunday School Boards of the Southern Baptist Convention in giving the Gospel to the destitute in our own and foreign lands.

Section 2:—To organize societies in the churches.

Section 3:—To enlist the co-operation of the women and children in the study of missions, and in giving of money to the support of denominational enterprises the general dissemination of missionary literature and the development of the missionary spirit in all our churches.

ARTICLE III.—TIME OF MEETING.

This organization shall convene on the first day of the meeting of Zion Baptist Association, and at the same place, in a near-by building or grove; and shall consider such subjects as pertain to the work of this body. Programs for said meetings may be had each year from the Central Committee.

ARTICLE IV—MEMBERS.

This organization shall be composed of the Associational Vice-President, the officers and all members of every society in the Association, and all women attending from churches in the Association without societies.

ARTICLE V.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this organization shall be an Associational Vice-President, as many Assistant Vice-Presidents as the organization may select, a Secretary to be nominated by a nominating committee and elected by ballot at the close of the Associational meeting.

Section 2:—The nominating committee shall consist of one member from each society in the Association, to be named by the delegates from said society represented in the meeting.

Section 3:—The name of the Associational Vice-President shall be given to the brother making a report on Woman's Work in the Association, that said name may be recommended for ratification in said report; and that said brother be further requested to recommend in said report the allowance of the sum of not less than five dollars for the purpose of defraying expenses of said Vice-President for stationery, etc., used in her work.

Section 4:—In case of vacancy of Associational Vice-President between the time of the Associational meeting, the Central Committee shall appoint a Vice-President. The Central Committee shall also appoint a Vice-President in Associations having no Vice-President.

ARTICLE VI.

This body shall in no way disturb or contravene the relation of the Central Committee to the State Board, but shall heed the plans and purposes of the Board, as made known through the Central Committee, or by the State Convention in its sessions.

ARTICLE VII.

Each Young Woman's Auxiliary in the Association shall be represented in the Woman's Missionary Union by all members of such Auxiliaries attending the Associational Meeting.

ARTICLE VIII.

In case of a desire to change this Constitution a notification

must be presented to the Central Committee three months before the annual State Convention.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Section 1:—Associational Vice-President:—The Associational Vice-President shall preside at the annual meeting, appoint committees, publish time and place of meeting, and communicate with the Central Committee for a program for said meeting.

It shall further be the duty of the Associational Vice-President to have a general oversight of all societies in the Association, sending out report blanks and literature which is furnished by the Central Committee, and the giving out to all societies whatever information and plans the Central Committee may have devised during the year.

It shall further be the duty of the Associational Vice-President to organize Woman's Missionary Unions in all churches where such societies do not already exist accomplishing said organizations by communication, personal visits, and by whatever means she may deem most expedient.

In the absence of the Associational Vice-President from the Associational meeting she shall appoint some one of her Assistant Vice-Presidents to preside in her stead.

Section 2:—Assistant Vice-Presidents.—There shall be as many Assistant Vice-Presidents as the Vice-President of the Association shall deem necessary for the furtherance of the work. These assistants shall be appointed from different districts in the Association and shall have, under the direction of the Vice-President, an oversight of all the churches in their respective districts, especially in the matter of organizing new societies.

Section 3:—Secretary.—The Secretary shall keep a correct minute of the proceedings of the body in session and turn over the same in due form to the Clerk of the Association that it may be incorporated in the Associational Minutes.

It shall further be the duty of the Secretary to find the cost of round-trip tickets to State Convention and prorate this sum among the societies, urging the collection of same for the purpose of sending the Vice-President to the annual Convention. It shall be her duty to place said sum in the hands of the Vice-President in time for her to make necessary arrangements for the trip.

Should the Vice-President be unable to attend the State Convention this sum shall be allowed to some Assistant Vice-President designated.

ARTICLE II.—CONDUCT OF MEETINGS.

All meetings of this body shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

ARTICLE III.—ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting shall be held at the same time and place as the Associational Meeting, at which time election of officers shall take place and the work for the year planned and distributed.

ARTICLE IV.—MAILING LIST.

The Associational Vice-President shall send annually a copy of the Associational Minutes to the President of the Central Committee, and notify said President of any change in personnel of officers in any society of her Association; that the Central Committee may thereby have an exact and complete mailing list.

ARTICLE V.—AUXILIARY OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

It shall be the duty of the Associational Vice-Presidents, under the direction of the respective State Leaders, to organize the Auxiliaries of the Woman's Missionary Union, the Sunbeams, The Young Woman's Auxiliary, and the Royal Ambassadors, and report all such organizations to said respective State Leaders in order that State Leaders may supply literature and other matter to said organizations. Or the Associational Vice-President shall at the annual meeting of the Association have some one selected whose duty it shall be to organize said Auxiliaries and report same to State Leaders.

ARTICLE VI.—SCHOLARSHIP TO TRAINING SCHOOL.

Section 1.—Any church or association desiring to support a young woman in the Woman's Missionary Training School at Louisville, Kentucky, may do so by providing a scholarship of one hundred and seventy-five dollars, and reporting same to the State Young Woman's Auxiliary Leader.

Section 2:—Any church or association having within their bounds a young woman whom they desire the STATE TO SUPPORT shall report name with recommendations of qualifications to the State Y. W. A. Leader who in turn will submit name to the Central Committee who will pass upon same.

Proceedings of the first Annual Session of Woman's Missionary Union, held in the ladies' parlor of the Eupora Baptist Church during the session of the Zion Association September the 11th to 13th. Also constitution and by-laws of same.

The Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to Zion Baptist Association had its first meeting in the ladies' parlor of Eupora Baptist church Thursday afternoon, Sept. 12, 1912, with Mrs. J. E. Taylor, associational vice president, in the chair.

Devotional exercises conducted by the vice president, Prayer by Mrs. Albert Spencer, of Bellefontaine.

Miss Minnie Skelton was elected secretary.

Delegates were called for. Bellefontaine society was represented by Mrs. Ida C. Hitt and Miss Minnie Skelton. The delegates from Slate Springs being absent their report was sent.

Many women from churches not having societies were present.

The policy of the W. M. U. was read by Mrs. O. C. Leigh.

Discussions were as follows: Sunbeams and Royal Ambassadors by Mrs. J. T. Marshall and Mrs. Albert Spencer.

Tithing by Mrs. W. W. Naron, Mrs. A. Spencer and Mrs. Marshall.

The appointment for the W. M. U. of Zion Association was called attention to by Vice President and each society urged to contribute more than was asked for from the whole association.

Constitution read and adopted.

Nominating Committee appointed: Mrs. A. B. Hicks, Miss Abbie Gregg, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. O. C. Leigh.

The Study of Our Mission Fields was discussed and it is found that all our societies have at least one Mission Study meeting a month, using the program In Our Mission Fields as a basis.

The Union then went into election of officers for the ensuing year:

Associational Vice President, Mrs. J. E. Taylor, Eupora, Miss.; Secretary, Mrs. Ida Smith, Slate Springs.
Adjournment.

Closing prayer by Mrs. Marshall.

The vice president earnestly requests that all churches organize societies before the meeting of the state convention which meets in November. Those desiring any information as to organization please write me.

Miss Minnie Skelton,
Secretary.

Mrs. J. E. Taylor,
Vice President.

NOTICE.

"The Baptist Young Peoples' Unions, and Sunday School Workers' Conference of the Zion Association held a three days' session with New Hope Church, beginning on Friday before the 5th Sunday in May, 1912.

Some ten or twelve Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U's. were represented. Brother Arthur Flake, Sunday School secretary, of Baldwin, and H. L. Watts, of Winona, were with us. Congregations large and interest great. We had a fine meeting. Next meeting will be held with Unity Church, Montgomery county, on Friday before the second 5th Sunday in 1913.

J. W. Spencer,
President.

Alonzo Skelton,
Secretary

MEMORIAL PAGE.

Mitt Vance
Martha Lane
D. A. Avery
Mariah Oliver
Savannah Winter
Clara Chandler
Jennie Oneal
P. K. Duke
Belle Phelps
Elizabeth Eiland
Presley Peeples
Dorothy Dodd
Martha Peeples
Joe Ligon
V. Ligon
Georgia Patridge
Joe Marter
George Gillon
James Denton
A. H. Fondren
Mrs. Williams
Bobbie Crick
H. W. Luncetford
Carrie Moore
Dollie Wray
A. P. Richardson
Billy Boatman
Earnest Green
Georgia Pyron
Florence Myers.

"Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his."—Numbers 23: 10.

On motion the Home Mission report was called from the table and W. A. McComb be given the right of way, who ably presented the work of the Home Board and the report was adopted.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

For years our reports have been dealing with the obligation to give the Gospel to the dying world. Today your committee ask you to consider what has been accomplished in obeying the teaching of God's Word, relative to this all important duty.

In 1887 we supported 116 workers, who baptized 228, making 1,646 members, on a contribution of \$87,830.00, which was a salary of \$700.00 allowing nothing for home expenses.

In 1897 we supported 190 workers, who baptized 660, making a total membership of 4,326, on a contribution of \$125,681.00, less than \$700.00 each allowing nothing for home expenses.

In 1907 we had in these important fields 233 churches, 412 out stations, 500 workers, who baptized 2,239 making a total membership of 14,437. We also had 134 houses of worship, 204 Sunday schools with 6,146 pupils, 108 day schools with 2,609 pupils.

In 1912 we have 342 churches, 826 out stations, 268 missionaries and 577 native helpers, making a total of 845 workers who baptized last convention year 4,300, making a total of 24,689 members which is a net gain of 5,440 in two years.

We also have 212 houses of worship, 442 Sunday schools, with 14,562 pupils, a net gain of 3,396 in two years; 186 day schools with 4,196 pupils; 11 boarding schools for boys with 483 pupils; 20 boarding schools for girls with 886 pupils, one college with 262 pupils; 9 training schools for women with 312 pupils; 10 theological training schools with 245 pupils; total number of schools 227 with 6,156 pupils.

These native Christians gave last year to support the cause of Christ the sum of \$77,872.59, an average of more than \$3.15 per member, while Southern Baptists gave to Foreign Missions the sum of \$510,008.97, about 25 cents per capita. Mississippi Baptists gave \$41,571.65, about 25 cents per capita, and the Baptists composing the Zion Association gave \$268.25, about 8 cents per capita.

In addition to our regular Foreign Missionary work the S. B. Convention passed a resolution requesting that we raise \$1,000 - 000.00 to be used in erecting and equipping buildings in which to labor for the glory of God.

Your committee recommends that this association kindly, but

earnestly ask the churches to increase their contributions to Foreign Missions 25 per cent during the year 1913.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. G. HEWLET,
For Eupora Church.

J. N. Carroll offered the following resolution of thanks which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we the delegates of the Zion Association do hereby extend our most heartfelt thanks for the royal entertainment we have received by the Eupora church, and vicinity.

There being no further business a motion prevailed to adjourn.

The association then stood together and Rev. J. C. Parker offered the closing prayer.

The Moderator then declared the Association adjourned to meet with Hebron church, eight miles north of Eupora, on Wednesday before the 3rd Lord's Day in September, 1913.

J. W. SPENCER,
Clerk.

T. H. WILSON,
Moderator.

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CHURCHES.	No. Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Dis. by Letter	Excluded	Died	Total Membership	Paid for Minutes	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphans' Home	Other Purposes	Pastors' Salary	Visiting Ministers	No. S. S.	No. Officers & Teachers	No. of Scholars	No. Baptized	Amt. Paid for Literature	Kind Used	N. SUPER	
Bethany	6	10		11	14	2	116	\$2 50		\$33 68	\$33 68			\$300 00	\$33 00	1	7	75	6	\$15 00	S.B.C.	D. S. F	
Bethel	4	1		6	3	1	169	\$2 75		\$27 50	\$27 50	\$7 50		130 00		1	5	40		5 00	S.B.C.	T. E. D	
Bluff Springs	12			4		1	107	1 50				1 50		43 00		1	5	30		2 50	S.B.C.	D. N. F	
Eupora	12	11		3		2	262	3 00	30 45	47 82	103 43	20 00	2259 62	800 00	93 55	1	15	222	12	148 80	S.B.C.	O. C. H	
Fellowship	10	16		13	2	2	283	2 50	17 60	67 75	63 25	34 00	58 65	150 00	34 50	2	12	220	10	24 50	S.B.C.	Fox H	
Greensboro	14	2		1			75	1 00		1 50			30 00	100 00							S.B.C.		
Harmony						1	45	1 00													S.B.C.		
Hebron	16			16			133	1 50	1 70					60 00							S.B.C.		
Milligan Springs	1	5		1		3	174	2 55				4 00		50 00	27 00						S.B.C.		
Mt. Vernon	1					1	153	1 00						150 00	11 90	1	6	40	1	2 50	S.B.C.	Lee Wo	
Mt. Zion	12	1	1	4		1	77	1 00								1	5	40	12	250	S.B.C.	Geo. W	
Mulberry		1		5		1	65	2 00					34 00	100 00							S.B.C.		
New Hope	6	12		18			188	2 50	23 05	40 00	40 00	5 00		150 00	15 00	1	15	140	6	16 00	S.B.C.	Leroy	
New Liberty	4				2	3	143	2 50		4 40	2 80	4 60				1	4	35	4	5 00	S.B.C.	J. D. G	
Philadelphia	3	2		4		1	89	1 00			4 30	3 90		81 50							S.B.C.		
Pilgrim's Rest	3						100	1 50						62 00	3 20	1	6	40		3 50	S.B.C.	E. E. T	
Pine Forest				4		1	30							50 00	22 00	1	6	40	2	3 25	S.B.C.	J. E. Ph	
Pleasant Hill	6	4	1	3			120	1 00			9 00										S.B.C.		
Pleasant Grove	7			6	10	1	53	1 00		6 25	6 25			70 00		1	5	54	7	3 25	S.B.C.	E. L. B	
Sobouglia	6	2		2	1	1	82	1 50	5 50			1 00	48 00	68 00		1	6	25	6	4 00	S.B.C.	J. B. B	
Sapa	3	3		7	2	2	100	50						60 00							S.B.C.		
Slady Grove	15	10					176	2 00	1 00	1 00				100 00	22 00	1	5	52	6	7 25	S.B.C.	G. T. K	
Shiloh	1			2		1	119	2 50					1213 00	100 00	20 65						S.B.C.	Newett	
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D. S. Patterson	Frank Mitchel	A. C. Mason, Slate Spring	T. S. Dorrah, Slate Springs	Calhoun, Miss.	1	\$
T. E. Doolittle	Finner Carver	J. W. Wilson, Slate Spring	J. D. Denton Sabougla	Calhoun, Miss.		
D. N. Britt	Connie Lewis	Joel Dorrah, Bellefontaine	M. B. Oswalt, Eupora, R. 4	Webster, Miss.		
O. C. Leigh	Eugene Shewmaker	J. R. G. Hewlet, Eupora	W. W. Nar on, Eupora	Webster, Miss.	1	1
Fox Hicks	Annie Lee Spencer	J. F. Mitchel, Dancy	W. V. Sugg, Bellefontaine	Webster, Miss.	1	1
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